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SUBJECT: VISIT OF PRES. EGYPTIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND
TECHNOLOGY, (ICSU MTG. OCT 76) AND EGYPTIAN ACAD. GEN.
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PASS NAS, NSF, AID

REF: CAIRO 10144, STATE 190338

1. DR. ABU EL AZM, PRESIDENT OF EGYPTIAN ACADEMY OF
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC UNIONS (ICSU) MTG.
IN WASH. DC OCT. 10-16. HE PLANS TO ARRIVE OCT. 9 AND CAN
STAY UNTIL OCT. 21 IF WARRANTED. IN ADDITION TO ATTENDING
ICSU MTGS, HE WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH NSF, NAS AND AID ABOUT
COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES.

2. WITH RESPECT TO ICSU MTG. REQUEST NAS MAKE APPROPRIATE
ARRANGEMENTS E.G. MEET AND ASSIST, HOTEL. DR. SAID, EGYPTIAN
PERMREP FOR ICSU WILL PROBABLY ALSO ATTEND. ABU AZM SAID
SAID IS FORWARDING APPLICATION; HE, HIMSELF, IS NOT. ASSUME
THIS CABLE IS SUFFICIENT NOTIFICATION. (IF ADDITIONAL DATA IS
NEEDED ADVISE EMB.).

3. ABU EL AZM ALSO WISHES TO DISCUSS WITH AID AND NAS
IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED
AID TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROJECT, CONTAINED IN THE REPORT OF
THE RESEARCH TRIANGLE TEAM WHICH VISITED CAIRO IN APRIL. HE
IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE FORMATION OF THE RECOMMENDED
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"JOINT COUNCIL" WITH NAS AND WOULD LIKE TO REACH AGREEMENT,

ON THIS CONCEPT AND, HOPEFULLY, BEGIN IMPLEMENTATION. FYI, ABU EL AZM SAID THAT HE HAD ALREADY TALK TO MINISTER OF ECONOMIC PLANNING MOHAMED ZAKI SHAFEI ABOUT PROJECT AND HAD SHAFEI'S ENDORSEMENT. ABU EL AZM WILL BE PREPARED TO "SIGN DOCUMENTS" IF NEED BE. FURTHER MEETING BETWEEN ABU EL AZM AND ACTING AID MISSION DIR. PFOUTZ, PLANNED FOR NEAR FUTURE. END FYI.

4. ABU EL AZM ALSO WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS NSF, EGYPTIAN ACADEMY PROGRAMS.

5. REQUEST INTERESTED ACADEMIES WORK OUR SUTIALE PROGRAM FOR DR. ABU EL AZM. LUNCHEON OR APPROPRIATE SOCIAL EVENT WOULD BE IN ORDER. SUGGEST ALSO A CALL ON ASSIST SECRETARY IRVING (OES). HE SAYS THAT HE IS WILLING TO WORK APPOINTMENTS IN WITH ICSU SCHEDULE AND IS FREE TO EXTEND STAY (PARA 1). FYI. WHETHER OR NOT EXTENSION OF STAY WOULD BE AT EGYPTIAN EXPENSE WAS NOT CLEAR FROM CONVERSATION WITH ABU EL AZM. SCIATT HAS IMPRESSION THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ADVERSE TO US SUPPORT. ASSUME ICSU MTG. ATTENDANCE, PER SE, AT EGYPTIAN EXPENSE. PLEASE ADVISE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

6. DATES FOR EGYPTIAN ACADEMY GENERAL CONFERENCE NOW FIXED FOR DEC. 11-15, 1976 (CAIRO REFTL). ABU EL AZM HAS DECIDED TO SEND INVITATIONS TO DRS. STEVER AND HANDLER WITHOUT PRIOR CONFIRMATION OF ATTENDANCE; HOWEVER, HE NEEDS TO KNOW ASAP, FOR PROGRAM AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, WHETHER THEY CAN ATTEND.
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